

Victory & Success



KING ARTHUR knights Tom of Warwick in the college's superb production of Camelot. A Red Baroness softball team muckles onto a pitch. The women were runners-up in the New England Regional Softball Tournament. —Forumfoto.



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The Ombudsman

By JEFF JOHNSON

The OMBUDSMAN has received a few letters from people wondering about the Student Activities Fee. Generally, people feel that if they are not involved in sports or a club, they are not benefitting from the mandatory fee.

The Student Activities fee is a non-refundable fee of twenty dollars each semester. It was authorized by the Massachusetts Board of Regional Community Colleges as recommended by the student government. It supports the student government and an extensive and varied range of cultural social recreational, and athletic activities for the student.

In tracing the money from the students pocketbook to where and when it is spent, it first goes to the bookkeeping department where it is tabulated and deposited in a student activities fee trust account.

In order for any student or organization to use the money, they must submit a request, budget, or budget proposal to the finance committee of the Student Government. The finance committee meets once a week to act on these requests. This committee decides if the request is realistic and if it can afford to give the money. If the sum is large the committee usually asks the organization to raise some of the money itself.



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From there the finance committee presents its recommendations to the student government on whether or not to give the money to the organization. If the student government approves the recommendation the proposal then goes to the student activities office where it is looked over and passed to Clem Gainty, Dean of Students. If Dean Gainty approves of it, it then is passed on to President Turner for final approval. To my knowledge, President Turner has never turned down a proposal that has reached his desk after being approved by all the chain of command.

The budget this year for student activities was \$46,000. Forty thousand of this came from the student activities fee. (Continued on Page 2)

Al Brunnette Is Commissioner

Albert E. Brunette, a data processing major, has been elected student commissioner for the next year from Greenfield Community College to the Student Advisory Commission of the Massachusetts Board of Regional Community Colleges.

As student commissioner he will attend monthly meetings with commissioners from the 15 other community colleges in the Commonwealth for the



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discussion of student affairs and related matters. The chairman of the Student Advisory Commission also sits on the Massachusetts Board of Regional Community Colleges.

Before enrolling at Greenfield Community College, Brunette owned a contracting business.

Budget Cut Looms

The college will be wearing tight fiscal shoes next year and everyone's toes will feel the pinch. The budget recommended by Sec. Parks for FY76 is \$2,160,000 — \$574,000 less than the college requested. This means there will be no increase in enrollment. It also means no merit increases for faculty and staff — for the second year, although step increases for classified personnel may be possible.

President Lewis O. Turner says that a \$17,300 inflation factor had been built into the college's budget request but this is not included in the budget recommended by the Secretary's office.

Because of the state's fiscal crisis and the backwards budgetary step the college will apparently be forced to take, the college will be faced with having to lower the quality of its maintenance and operations, reducing its staff by not filling vacancies, and dropping some enrichment program. Qualified administration may have to share teaching duties with faculty.

Turner is seeking strategies which will enable the college to live within the economies while doing as little damage as possible to programs and people. He is inviting all comments and ideas from members of the faculty, staff, and student body.

Graduates To Hear DeMott

Amherst College's Benjamin DeMott will be the commencement speaker this year at exercises to be held outdoors at the new campus on Sunday, June 15.

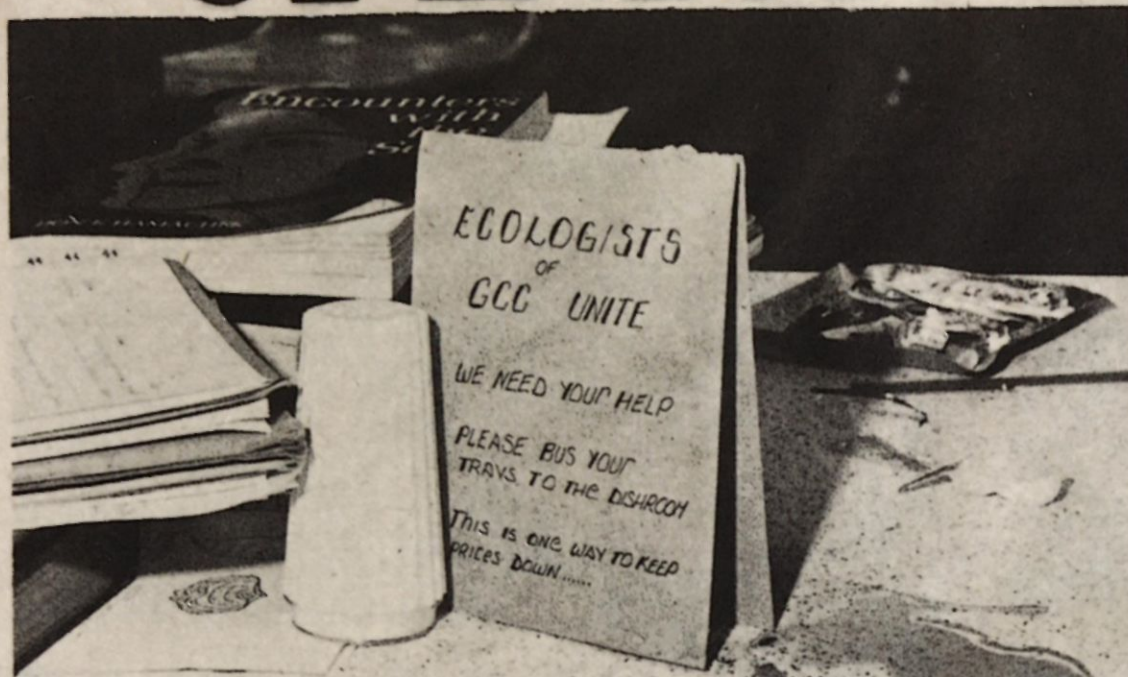
It will be the first time in the college's history that graduation has been held on its own campus.

DeMott is an English professor and earned the PhD at Harvard, where he was a John Harvard Scholar. He joined the Amherst faculty in 1951. He is a nationally prominent scholar and writer with published works on the 17th century theory of language, the Restoration and Augustan poetry, Comenius and the Real Character in England, Science versus Mnemonics, and the Sources and Development of the Philosophical Languages. He is the author of *The Body's Cage*, *Hells and Benefits*, *You Don't Say*, and *A Married Man*.

DeMott was a Guggenheim Fellow in 1963 and 1967, and Fulbright Lecturer in 1965, and a visiting professor at MIT, Yale, the University of Utah, and the University of Birmingham in England.

Following graduation ceremonies, a reception will be held for the graduates and their guests.

OPINION



The Mess Mess

By THOMAS P. LEDERLE

It seems that things must get worse before they can get better. I am talking of course about the mess left in the cafeteria on the tables. In the last issue of the Forum, I pointed out not only that coffee mugs were being ripped off by the students, but that the tables were being left in a terrible mess. The irresponsibility of the majority of the student body has forced the cafeteria management to employ added help to clean up the mess left by the sloppy student body. With the addition of the personnel the prices must go up to counteract the added expense of the maintenance of the cafeteria.

With the addition of the new tables, it was hoped that the student body would take some pride in their school's appearance. It looks as if the immature nature of the majority of the students is too much to overcome. It looks as if the students still expect Mommy to pick up after them. Also, to the disbelief of the students, the new trash cans will not bite or pull them in and devour them. There seems to be a great fear among the students about the new trash cans, or they just don't have the mentality to use one.

Of course, I am not speaking about all the students here at Greenfield Community College, but it is a majority. I have nothing but admiration for those students who have enough decency to bus their own dishes from the tables. Also these students clear off the mess left by the slob who had used the table earlier. This is something that they should not have to do but they must, if they do not wish to eat in the middle of a mess.

In closing, I would like to say one thing to you students who expect someone to pick up for you for the rest of your life. "Wake up, this world does not revolve just around you, start to think of others besides yourself if it is at all possible."

Weekly Ho Hum

By JEFF JOHNSON

There seems to be a strange phenomenon here at GCC called the Administrator's hour. This is a time designated by someone and held in the good old cafeteria where students and administrators can get together, ask questions, and generally get to know one another.

The strange thing about the administrators hour is that the administrators and students don't seem to be interested. This reporter has attended about ten meetings of the Administrator's Hour and has not yet seen any students except an occasional stray looking for a place to sit and eat lunch. Outside of Clem Gainty, Dean of Students, Brian Gilmore and Merryl Sacken, heads of student activities, who show up at every hour the administrators aren't interested either.

Oh, there was one hour in the early spring when everyone showed. It was a scintillating hour. President Turner commented that the usually dirty students were looking a little neater. He thought spring had inspired them to clean up their acts. We learned from the Registrar where to get a good deal on tires.

Should the idea of an Administrator's hour be continued or forgotten? The apathy displayed by both students and administrators demonstrates to me that an opportunity for them to express their concerns is needless.

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Have A Seat

Students and faculty of GCC. At long last the chairs and couches we have been awaiting for so long are here. Isn't it wonderful and aren't we proud?

When first coming to GCC this semester I noticed that a few things were missing. I could deal with the fact that we were a college without a library, that we didn't have locker rooms, that it was a little chilly inside on the cold days, that we had no coffee mugs to steal, and I couldn't get the classes I wanted, but I just couldn't handle not having comfortable chairs and couches to sit in when meeting with a member of the faculty or administration.

Now things are different. We have a usable library, the locker rooms are in service, the weather is getting warmer, the coffee mugs have come and all been stolen, I have been able to get in the classes I wanted for next semester and the comfortable chairs and couches have arrived.

What pleases me most is that they fit right in with the decor and scheme of the school building. Most of the sides of the building meet at right angles and so do the chairs sides meet.

Like the building, the chairs are comfortable and built for people. They are especially comfortable if you are one of those lucky people whose back is one foot high.

Some other features of the chairs are:

1. The cushions can be easily stolen.
2. You can sit on the floor and turn them around to rest your back against them.
3. You can lay a board over them and sit quite comfortably.
4. If you sit in them long enough you can see how large your arse is getting by the imprint it leaves.
5. They make for short meetings.

Administration Corner

Driving into the campus these spring days, frequently, I have come upon people pushing lawn mowers, planting trees moving soil, spreading fertilizer and other gardening tasks. It strikes me that these are generally the same faces I use to see during colder snowier times when sidewalks and roadways had to be cleared and then properly salted and sanded to insure our safety. As the green comes back to our campus aided and abetted by our talented landscapers, it occurs to me to note how well taken care of we inside the building folks are. Our safety and comfort is zealously secured in the winter; our aesthetic nature needs are as carefully provided for during spring, summer and fall.

As one who usually takes such significant services for granted, I'm pleased to use my turn in providing a column for the Forum to say publicly how grateful and pleased I am with our physical outdoor surroundings. We have all generally agreed upon the excellence of our campus site nestled as it is in the side of the Mohawk Trail. What delights me is the landscape artistry that develops the beauty of that site so as to re-enforce the wisdom of initially choosing it in

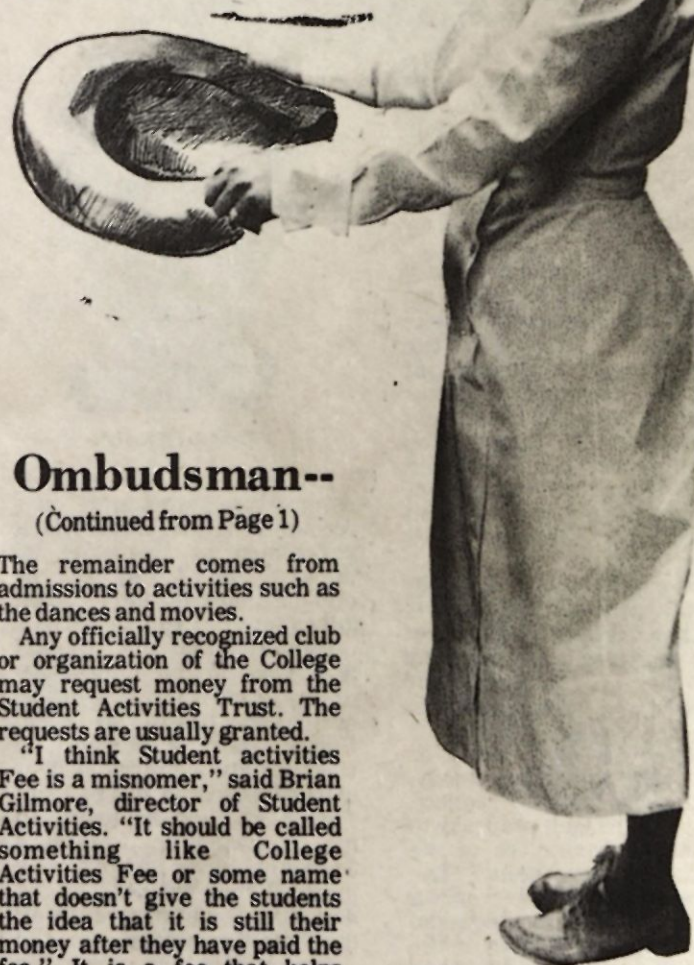
an ever changing always improving way. The prospect of developing two ponds further enriches the burgeoning beauty of this pleasant place. If environment counts at all we ought to be pretty contented people ready to carry out our respective academic tasks.

Perhaps my fancy carries me too far but I think I have detected one more noteworthy aspect of our landscaping technicians. Not only do they do good things they also seem to enjoy totally the doing of them. If that be so, then wistfully and with a touch of envy do I salute them. One of the great satisfactions in life is complete enjoyment of one's work. Few are fortunate enough to achieve that happy state. It is a joy to encounter in one's self and also a pleasure to perceive it in others.

These fellow employees have done and continue to do much for me. They secure my comfort and safety; they delight my eyes with the beauty of our grounds; and they inspire me with their industry and their enjoyment of their work. I'm pleased to acknowledge all these contributions and thank them most sincerely for them.

—DEAN CLEMENT GAINTY

JOAN PILLSBURY models the new GCC student nurse uniform which will be adopted in September. Part of the Century line designed by Guillaume Pierre Caduceus, the longer hemline reflects the latest in nursing haute couture from the saloons of Paris. The outfit diminishes the prominence of the tibiae in favor of the feet, the most erotic of female appendages, according to Caduceus. Forumfashion-photo.



Ombudsman--

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The remainder comes from admissions to activities such as the dances and movies.

Any officially recognized club or organization of the College may request money from the Student Activities Trust. The requests are usually granted.

"I think Student activities Fee is a misnomer," said Brian Gilmore, director of Student Activities. "It should be called something like College Activities Fee or some name that doesn't give the students the idea that it is still their money after they have paid the fee." It is a fee that helps support nonacademic activities for the student to enjoy if they so desire."

New Assistant To President Appointed

Robert L. Merriam, headmaster of Stonleigh-Burnham School for Girls, Greenfield, will become assistant to the president at Greenfield Community College when he leaves his present post the end of June, President Lewis O. Turner announced today.

Merriam was appointed headmaster at Stonleigh in 1970. Before going to Stonleigh, he was a member of the faculty at Deerfield Academy. A 1943 graduate of Deerfield



ROBERT L. MERRIAM

Academy, he received a bachelor of arts degree from Dartmouth College in 1948. At Dartmouth he was a Rufus Choate Scholar and a history and international relations major. At both Deerfield and Dartmouth, Merriam played varsity soccer, hockey and lacrosse.

At Greenfield Community College, Merriam will be responsible for assisting the college in obtaining funds from federal agencies and private sources. He will also act as affirmative action officer of the college and assist the president with special projects and research activities.

President Lewis O. Turner says, "We are indeed fortunate to have at Greenfield Community College a man of Bob Merriam's experience, talent, and stature."

Merriam will begin his new duties at Greenfield Community College July 1.

Late For Work

By CAROL HEDBOR

Like most students, I find summer approaching and the question of summer employment is at hand. With the extension of GCC's school year, the problem becomes increasingly difficult. We are at a disadvantage since most college students are already working at summer jobs as we sit in our classrooms with weeks to go. Not only that, but, high school seniors will be graduating and out in the work force before we, at GCC are finished with classes.

It seems unfortunate that the students of this school have to suffer the consequence of the Administration's poor planning. I hope they will take today's problems into consideration in future years.

Finally, I would like to extend sincere hopes to all students in finding jobs. If you don't find a job right away, don't be discouraged. It will still be summer — a perfect season to have a good time. Make the most of your vacation!



JOHN STALILIONIS



SUE CAIN

New Environmental Science Club Elects President, Vice President

By LOUIS BOUCHER

The old Ecology Club has undergone a transformation this spring. It is now the Environmental Science Club. The newly elected president is John Stalilionis, treasurer is Sue Cain and plans are for a vice-president to be elected from next year's freshman class. Dick Little is the advisor.

The Club's aim is to work towards a better environment by creativity awareness through field trips, guest speakers, and luncheons.

Four speakers and four field

trips are planned for next year, with a coffee hour every other week in the cafeteria. Prospective sites to be visited include a Nuke Plant, a glass recycling plant, the Northfield Mountain Project and another to be chosen next year. Plans for one of the luncheons includes a professor from UMass as a guest speaker on the topic of windmills as a power source.

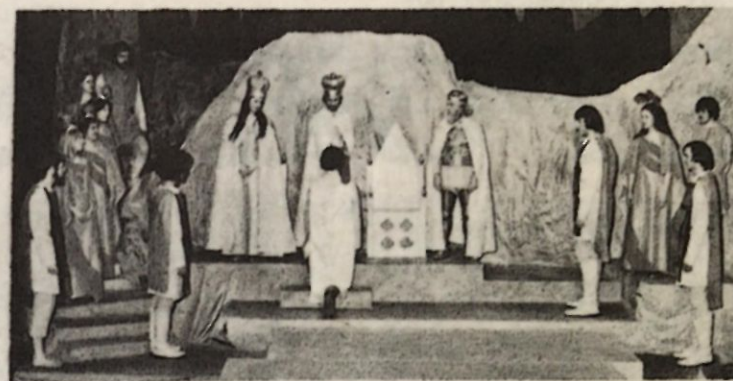
The Club is open to all, but it is especially hoped many of next fall's new Environmental Majors will join this extra-curricular learning experience.



The Pilobolus Dance Theater engages students here in their unique dance forms which combine classical ballet, modern dance, and gymnastics. They appeared here for a demonstration in April under the auspices of student government. Moses Pendleton leads the group. —Forumfoto.



IRA MITCHELL is the new chess champ at Greenfield Community College. Superior strategy brought him sweet victory over runnerup Sal Rossi. The tournament was sponsored by Student Activities under the direction of Prof. Frederico Aguir and ran from March 7 to May 1. The trophy was donated by Student Government. Mitchell won by defeating all opponents for a perfect score of 10. The champ is on the right, Rossi on the left. —Forumfoto.



SIR LANCELOT is knighted by King Arthur as the Queen and Knights of the Round Table look on. —Forumfoto.



THE CURTAIN call. —Forumfoto.

Good Show, George

Production of Camelot Upholds Drama Tradition

By THOMAS KING

The Drama Club of GCC performed its spring musical, Camelot, on April 29 through May 3. Camelot is one of Broadway's legends with glowing melody and fantastic wit. The play was written by Alan J. Lerner and Frederick Loewe. The GCC production was directed by George Johnston.

Camelot created the enchanting world of King Arthur and his court. Two themes were woven together: Arthur's dream of a peaceable world where might serves right, and the ill-fated romance between Guenevere and young Lancelot. The songs convey all the romance, gaiety and the majesty of Camelot.

The leading roles were played by Jim Girard (King Arthur), a veteran of many GCC productions; Lyn Singer as the lovely Queen Guenevere and Bob Daigle as Lancelot. All three were quite appropriately chosen for their roles and did a splendid job.

The supporting cast consisted of Brad Hendricks appearing as Pellinore, Don Campbell as the wicked Mordred and Linda Rappucci as the Gluttonous Morgan Lefay. The Knights, Ladies of the Court and Wood Nymphs were quite entertaining under the musical direction of Grace Mayberry, choreographed by Lyn Singer.

The music was provided by Sari Padgug, piano; Jacob Padgug and Lani Lawyer on clarinet; Tom Hibshman, saxophone; Lenore B. Glaser, flute and John Gamelin on trumpet.

The costumes were designed by Sharon Johnston and made by Ellie Hendricks, Liz Morse, Jeanne Heumen and Maxine Greenblatt. They put tremendous effort into the costumes which were a great asset to the play.

The technical and stage crews also worked miracles with the limited facilities they had to work with. Set and lighting wizard, George Johnston, did a wonderful job with the building to create a mystical paradise of Camelot. Technical director, John Phipps-Winfrey and assistant director, Mike Brule assisted in the near impossible task. The light crew, Dave Rogers, Tom Hoar and Denise Bastien did a fine job.

Prop crew, Brad Hendricks, Morris Chasse and Jeff Gordon used their imaginations to find the small, special touches which made the play a step beyond amateur.

The combination of everyone's efforts made the play a very entertaining production. I am sure it was a worthwhile and enjoyable endeavor for everyone involved with the play.

Madrigal Singers on TV

Greenfield Community College's Madrigal singing group will be appearing on G.C.C.'s monthly television show "Inquiry" on Channel 32. The program was taped May 17 for airing in June. The June edition of the show will be presenting aspects of GCC's art and fine arts programs.

The Madrigal Group has eight members: Donna Krok, Susan Miller, Becky Noel, Judy Dean, Louise Boucher, Mark Lucia, Lonny Balck and Bill Murphy. The director is music instructor Grace Mayberry. Songs to be performed include a Renaissance madrigal by Thomas Morely and two contemporary madrigals by Eugene Butler.

The group has been singing since last fall at which time it gave a concert for students and faculty here for Christmas.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

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Baseball

By GREG GERARDE

The GCC baseball team opened up its defense as state champs against Mass Bay CC April 1.

Cold weather, causing a lack of practice before the game, seemed to hinder the Barons as they lost to Mass Bay 9-0. Dave Kubasek was tagged for the loss, but Jack Burke had two hits.

April 5th GCC hosted Holyoke CC for its first league game and saw its record fall to 0-2 as Holyoke crushed the Barons 7-3 with hard throwing Mark Roberts getting the loss. In that all important second game, the Red Barons put together some excellent pitching and fielding and won 7-3 to split their first twin bill. Dave Vachula was the winning pitcher. Mike Parenteau, Jack Burke and Mike Trombley supplied the offense for the Barons first win.

Wednesday April 9th Southern Vermont traveled to GCC and the Red Barons responded with a 16-1 win to even their record at 2-2. Dave Kubasek was the winner as he held the Vermont team to one hit while striking out eleven. Mike Parenteau led the offense with three doubles and five rbi's. Mike Trombley, Jack Burke and John Porcari each had two hits each to give GCC a big win.

Saturday April 12, the Barons were again hosts as Springfield Technical CC lost to GCC 4-3 and 6-3. The first game saw excellent pitching for both teams as Jack Burke walked and then came home from third on a wild pitch to win the extra inning game. Dave Valucha was the winner as he struck out twelve and issued six hits. The second half of the twin bill was again pitching as Mark Roberts and Dave Kubasek combined to hurl a five hit ball to take a 6-3 decision.

Sunday April 13 the Red Barons again played host to Greater Hartford CC at Vets Field. The big stopper for GCC was Dave Kubasek as he pitched five hit ball for seven innings and threw sixty-one pitches for his second win.

The Barons upped its record to 8-2 at Green River Field as they swept a doubleheader from Vermont Technical CC 11-0 and 12-1. The Red Barons had eight runs in the third inning as they sent seven men to the plate,

they collected six singles, a triple and a home run.

Saturday April 19th the Red Barons were in Gardner for a doubleheader with Mt. Wachusett for a 20-2 and 15-4 sweep of a twin bill. Mark Roberts was the winning pitcher in the opener, Hilliker is the night cap.

Sunday April 20 saw some excellent pitching as GCC came up short on both games 3-0 and 2-1.

April 26 was the scene of the all important league doubleheader with Quinsigamond CC who was tied for the league lead with GCC at 5-1.

The first game had Dave Vachula pitching shut-out ball for four innings, when a 430 foot home by Quinsigamond's Mark Roberts broke up the pitchers duel. Then QCC added three more tallies in the sixth to put the game out of reach. Eight errors proved to be the downfall for the Barons in the second game as a unearned run by both teams made the game 1-1 after two innings.

April 28, GCC was in Pittsfield for a league doubleheader with Berkshire CC and a shot at a berth in the state championship. In the first game, a strong BCC team shut out the Barons 5-0 as the Berkshire pitchers kept GCC at bay with some lucky fielding and hard nosed running.

The second game saw GCC lead 2-0 after two innings and then a rash of errors and some hits gave BCC the final lead of 4-2 and gave Dave Kuasek a loss. The twin loss left GCC with a 5-5 league record and possible elimination from the state tournament.

After six losses, the Barons faced a strong Dean Junior College on April 29 and slipped by them 8-7 in extra innings. May 3 the Barons were again on the road as they traveled to Williams College to play a twin bill. The Barons came out on top both times 13-4 and 5-4 and upped their record to 13-8 and a possible berth in the Region XXI Tournament.

The team is made up of mostly first year students, and with this years experience the team looks much better for next year. Jack Burke, Mark Roberts, John Porcari, Gary Pond, Tom Collican, Gary Bellows, and Buzzy Milan who won a championship for GCC in 1974 will be lost to graduation

Softball

The Greenfield Community College Women's Softball Team were seeded number one in the New England Region Tournament of the National Junior College Athletic Association. As the result of a 11-1 and record and scoring over fourteen runs a game, the Red Baronesses were picked to win the New England Title.

In the all important first game of the tourney, the ladies beat highly rated Quinsigamond 11-3 as all star pitcher Luann Wonsey won easily as Donna Meisse supplied the offense with 2 hits, 2 RBI's and two stolen bases. Joan Smith also had a triple.

The Baronesses were to play Berkshire CC for the championship. However, the team could not produce hits and the first few innings were even; but some strong hitting by BCC took them into the lead and handed GCC a 11-6 loss and second place.

The Barons eleven wins were first over Holyoke CC (31-2) and then over Berkshire CC (13-2) as Luann Wonsey, Cheryl Boron and Sue Supinski combined for 10 hits in the Holyoke game.

In the Berkshire game two hits each by Sue Supinski, Barb Gervais and Cathy Clark gave GCC an easy win as Luann Wonsey won her second game.

In an away game against Holyoke CC, the Barons again easily won 14-1.

Cheryl Boron had four hits and Donna Meisse two hits to lead GCC to a perfect 3-0 record.

Leicester J.C. came to GCC and left with two losses as the girls pounded out 28 hits and twenty-five runs for a 13-5 and 12-6 sweep of a double-header.

Franklin Pierce was again victim to a fierce offense as the Barons ripped 18 hits and 26 runs.

Quinsigamond CC traveled to GCC to play a twin bill at Newton field and a possible chance at making the tournament.

The GCC softball team traveled to Northampton for a game with Smith College and came up with a winner 8-5.

Mt. Ida was GCC's next victim as they came up with 12 runs to move their record to 10-1.

GCC's next win came at the expense of North Adams State College. The score was 9-1.



CO-CAPTAINS ANN LAWRENCE AND CHERYL BORON show softball trophy to President Turner. The women's softball team was runner-up in the New England Regional tournament. —Forumfoto.

Golf

With a new coach and all new players the GCC golf team set out to beat Holyoke CC April 9th.

But as the match ended, the Barons came up short 2½ to 12½ with John Nee and Tim Tinker doing some excellent putting.

After a defeat at the hands of Rhode Island College 394-355 and then a loss to Stockbridge 6-0, the Barons played excellent golf for the rest of the season.

The golf team continued to have bad luck as it lost to Springfield Technical CC and Holyoke CC and then a close defeat to Franklin Pierce 5-2.

On April 23, the Barons played a strong Quinsigamond CC and came close 358-354 for their seventh loss, John Nee and Tim Tinker were again outstanding for GCC.

With a home game against Rhode Island, GCC continued to have bad luck as the Barons lost for the eighth time. Again a loss to Berkshire and Dean left GCC with a 1-9 record and a rebuilding season for Coach Tom Bitters.

Tennis

The GCC Tennis Team started out with a loss early in the year but since then have played good tennis.

A loss to a strong Cape Cod CC 80-68 late in March helped the Barons ready themselves for a win at home against Mt. Wachusett 68-27.

Members of the team who make the Barons strong are Al Ball — the number one player, Al Bitzer of Greenfield, Chuck Neveu, Joe Lucas, and Dave Bonski all from Turners.

A strong Dean Junior College traveled to GCC and won 8-1; Al Ball was the lone winner.

The doubles team's consist of Bitzer and Carol Schmidt, Tom Stealeck and Chris Heaton. In time, these doubles players will be playing excellent tennis as they gain experience on the court.

In a tri-match March 29 with Cape Cod, Mt. Wachusett and Greenfield, the Barons finished second with 68 points.

After a loss to Northern Essex on April 24, the Barons came on strong for a win over the same Northern Essex team and brought their record to 2-5.